Sandy City Business Watch

Sandy City Police Department

Virtual Business Watch

Our Virtual Business Watch Program is off to a great start. New members are registering on a regular basis. If you didn't see our video that introduces the program, here is the link:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Rhyj0bFvX9U&feature=youtu.be

We appreciate the support we have received for our new program. Working together enables for a quicker resolve to active cases and creates a safer community for all.

Thank you!!!

Watch Currency Closely

We are seeing really good counterfeit bills being passed off at local businesses. Educate yourself and employees what to do if they suspect a bill is fake:

For your personal safety. . . PLEASE:

Do not put yourself in danger.

Do not return the bill to the passer.

Delay the passer with some excuse, if possible.

Observe the passer's description - and their companions' descriptions - and write down their vehicle license plate numbers if you can.

Contact your Sandy City Police department.

Write your initials and date in the white border area of the suspected counterfeit note.

DO NOT handle the counterfeit note. Place it inside a protective cover, a plastic bag, or envelope to protect it.

Surrender the note or coin ONLY to a properly identified police officer or a Secret Service Special Agent, or mail it to your nearest U.S. Secret Service field office.

For more information:
https://www.treasury.gov/about/organizational-structure/offices/Treasurer-US/Pages/if-you-suspect.aspx

Business Watch

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Cybercrimes

From identity theft to computer viruses, cybercrime presents a risk to both personal and business computers.

Cybercrime Statistics:

- The overall global cost of cybercrime has exceeded $600 billion. (CNBC, 2018)

- 23 percent of Americans say that they or someone in their household had their personal, credit card or financial information stolen by hackers in 2018. (Gallup, 2018)

- 16 percent of Americans say that they or someone in their household was a victim of identity theft in 2018. (Gallup, 2018)

- Spam and phishing emails are responsible for 66 percent of ransomware infections. (PCMag, 2018)

https://learn.g2.com/cybercrime-statistics

Protecting Against Cybercrime

- Never click on links in emails.

- Never open the attachments.

- Do not give out personal information over the phone or in an email unless completely sure.

- Set secure passwords and don't share them with anyone.

- Keep your operating system, browser, anti-virus and other critical software up to date.

- Verify the authenticity of requests from companies or individuals by contacting them directly.

- Pay close attention to website URLs.

- For e-Mail, turn off the option to automatically download attachments.

- Be suspicious of unknown links or requests sent through email or text message.

For more information:

https://www.dhs.gov/how-do-i/protect-myself-cyber-attacks

A Business Perspective

Being a member of Sandy City Business Watch has proven to be such a benefit. The education received is valuable, there are networking opportunities with other businesses in the community and Sandy City Personnel. I can bring much of the information back to my facility and share it with my staff and educate them on crime prevention and what needs to be done in a number of situations. Best of all this education and information is Free of charge to the business.

The education is very comprehensive, active shooter education, Business Watch (neighborhood watch) and the list goes on. This free program is well worth the time. I would encourage any business to get involved in this program.

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April 1 - June 30, 2019					
Sandy City Offenses	**Alta**	**Bell**	**Crescent**	**Sandy**	**Total**
Arson				2	**2**
Assault	29	13	44	108	**194**
Burglary	23	11	13	45	**92**
Controlled Substances	22	10	35	191	**258**
Damaged Property	26	13	35	78	**152**
Embezzlement			4	5	**9**
Family Offenses	17	8	24	90	**139**
Fish and Game	15	10	12	16	**53**
Flight or Escape	10	1	12	60	**83**
Forgery	3		10	18	**31**
Fraudulent	39	9	75	96	**219**
Health or Safety			1	4	**5**
Kidnapping	1	1	2	3	**7**
Liquor Law			2		**2**
Morals - Decency			1		**1**
Obstructing Justice	1		1	3	**5**
Obstructing Police	3		6	15	**24**
Privacy Violations	8	1	27	54	**90**
Public Order	75	27	77	216	**395**
Public Peace	49	21	43	148	**261**
Robbery			2	9	**11**
Sex Offenses	11	3	10	40	**64**
Stolen Property	1		3	8	**12**
Stolen Vehicles	9	4	11	37	**61**
Theft	61	23	157	238	**479**
Traffic Offenses	91	35	141	345	**612**
Weapons Offenses	1	1	2	14	**18**
Total	**495**	**191**	**750**	**1,843**	**3,279**

Alta - 1300 East to the east border, north border to the gully; **Bell** - 1300 E to the east border, the gully to the south border; **Crescent** - west border to 1300 East, the gully to the south border; **Sandy** - west border to 1300 E, north border to the gully.